MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): With reference to part (*g*) of the answer, may I know whether the application with the Principal's remarks is a confidential record?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is there.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): The answer given there is in the negative. My question is whether the application, with the remarks of the Principal, will be laid on the table. Am I to understand that it is a confidential record?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is said that it will not be laid on the table.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Therefore am I to understand that the House is not entitled to know it?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

T. M. Abraham, Printer, Stamp Manufactory.

236. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date of appointment of T. M. Abraham as acting 3rd grade printer in the Stamp Manufactory;

(*b*) his subsequent promotions with dates and pay;

(*c*) the names of his seniors who were already in the Stamp Manufactory when Abraham was first appointed there; and

(*d*) whether their claims were overlooked by the Superintendent, Stamp Manufactory?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 4th Chingam 1100. He was an applicant for a counter's place. But as there was no vacancy at the time, he was appointed as an acting printer, and when the next vacancy arose in the counter's *cadre*, he was appointed to act therein on the 9th Karkatakam 1100, as he was a qualified hand having passed the Vernacular Higher Examination.

(*b*) No subsequent promotions were given to him.

(*c*) When Abraham was first appointed in the Stamp Manufactory he had no seniors in that institution among acting printers.

(*d*) The question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*c*).

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is any qualification prescribed for the post of a counter in the Stamp Manufactory by the Government?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Therefore, am I to understand that he was appointed to the post of a counter because there was no post of printer?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): The question has already been answered.

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MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether there are other instances of a similar kind, that is, when a post is not available, the applicant is given some other post?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): Yes, there may be such instances.

Prosecution of the Jenmabhumi and Keraladasan.

237. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the names of the articles published in the 'Jenmabhumi' and in the 'Keraladasan' for which they were prosecuted;

(*b*) the respective dates of publication of the above articles; and

(*c*) the date on which prosecution was started against each of the above-said papers?

MR. KAYYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): (*a*) The name of the article for which the 'Jenmabhumi' was prosecuted is "ക്രൈസ്തവബാഹ്മണം" and that of the article for which the 'Keraladasan' was prosecuted is 'തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലെ വഴ്ഗീയമത്സരം'.

(*b*) The first mentioned article was published on the 13th Vrischikam 1101 and the other on the 6th Vrischikam 1101.

(*c*) Prosecutions were started against the 'Jenmabhumi' and the 'Keraladasan' on the 7th Dhanu 1101 and the 3rd Makaram 1101, respectively.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): What is the result of these prosecutions?

MR. KAYYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I submit, Sir, that it does not arise as a supplementary question; not that I have not got the information, but that this question does not arise as a supplementary question.

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